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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 14 of page 1 as follows:

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Various patents to date have taught optical systems including solid immersion lenses and systems of lenses employing near-field effects carried on the body of a slider to achieve high linear density. For example, see Corle et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,125,750), Mamin et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,497,359), and Lee et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,729,393).

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as indicated below. Marked-up copies of the claims are enclosed.